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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Holland Shepherd, Reclamation Specialist *HHS*

RE: Site Inspection, Coop Placer Mine, S/015/052, Emery County, Utah

Date of Inspection: November 7, 1990
Time of Inspection: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Attendees: Holland Shepherd, DOGM

The operator recently submitted an SMO/NOI this month. The site is a re-disturbance of an older Notice that had been filed with the BLM, by Tom Clark.

Mr. Clark had recently reclaimed the site. However, the Coop Group came back in and reopened the site after Mr. Clark left.

The operator describes the mineral mined at the site as a humic shale, though it looks a lot like coal, or is closely associated with coal bedding. According to the operator, the ore or shale is to be used for soil amendments for reclamation on the operator's Trail Canyon site. This ore is probably the same as that found at the Body Tody site, located 1 mile east.

The operator has excavated two trenches into the south side of the hill and pushed the waste material/overburden down hill and into a deep wash. The material is not extensive.

To locate this site, drive south through the town of Emery. At the southeast edge of Emery, drive due south on a graveled road for approximately 3 miles, then veer off to the southeast on a well graded road, which extends all the way to the Body Tody site. About 1 mile before reaching the Body Tody site, the road forks again. Remain on the right fork. The site is located in a deep drainage on the south side. The

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road winds along the edge of the drainage accessing several excavations used by the operator. The site is located in the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, of Section 3, T23S, R6E, SLBM.

The site is under 5 acres. No concerns, other than the waste material dumping, currently exist for the site.

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